

IV054 Coding, Cryptography and Cryptographic Protocols
2020 - Exercises I.

1. (3 points)

- (a) Find the minimal distance of the code $C = \{11111, 00100, 10010, 01001\}$.
- (b) Using the code C , decode the strings 11011, 01101, 10011, 00111 according to the nearest neighbor decoding strategy.

2. (5 points)

- (a) For any $N \geq 1$, find a binary code C_N with $(n, M, d) = (2N, 4, N)$.
- (b) For any $M_0 \geq 2$ and any $d_0 \geq 1$, find a binary (n, M, d) code with $M \geq M_0$ and $d \geq d_0$.

3. (2 points) Decide whether the following ternary (respectively binary) codes are equivalent.

$$(a) \quad C_1 = \begin{Bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 2 \end{Bmatrix} \quad C_2 = \begin{Bmatrix} 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{Bmatrix} \quad (b) \quad C_1 = \begin{Bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{Bmatrix} \quad C_2 = \begin{Bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{Bmatrix}$$

4. (6 points) Show that if $d \geq \frac{n}{2}$ then $A_2(n, d) \leq 2n$.

You can use the following lemma:

Lemma. Let $u_1, \dots, u_m \in \mathbb{R}^n$ such that $|u_i| = 1$ and $u_i \cdot u_j \leq 0$ for all $1 \leq i < j \leq m$. Then $m \leq 2n$.

5. (5 points) Consider the following code with codewords of length 6 over alphabet $\{0, \dots, 9\}$ where the verification process is as follows:

- i. Multiply digits on even positions by 2 (starting from the rightmost digit).
- ii. Sum all the individual digits (both unchanged and doubled digits).
- iii. The codeword is valid if the sum modulo 10 is equal to zero.

- (a) Calculate the last digit x of 19054 x .
- (b) Given the first five digits show how to compute the check digit.
- (c) Can this code detect any single error?
- (d) Can this code detect any transposition error involving adjacent digits?

Explain your answers.

6. (4 points) Consider a source X producing symbols A, B, C and D with the following probabilities:

symbol	probability
A	0.45
B	0.10
C	0.15
D	0.30

Design a binary Huffman code and calculate its average codeword length and its efficiency.